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1. Minesweepers

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minesweepers remained in the harbor: [redacted]

[redacted] Minor repairs, such as painting, overhauling of the radio apparatus, repairs to decks, etc., are being carried out on these eight minesweepers. Each boat carries a Russian crew of about 25 men.

2. S.S. KURA, S.S. MUDYUG, Icebreaker ALESHA POPOVICH

These ships are still in the yard.

3. Russian Motor Vessel

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The Russian motor boat TB-Y (Cyrillic characters) left the yard [redacted]

4. S.S. NAUТОFON

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This vessel is an ex-minesweeper, and has now been taken over by the Russians.

Its present use is unknown. It is supposed to have been repaired [redacted]

[redacted] in the Rostock yards, and it then put out to sea. It returned, however, [redacted] because of engine trouble. After further repairs it left [redacted] for an unknown destination. 50X1-HUM

5. Cable Ship ERUSLAN

This cable-laying ship had previously been under repair in these yards and returned [redacted] for further repairs to her engines. She still lay in the yard as [redacted]

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6. New Construction

Because the slips in this shipyard are extremely primitive and have not the requisite number of cranes and welding points, the keel of the 3,000 GRT cargo ship has been prepared in sections together with the ribs. These sections have now been placed on the slip, where they are being welded together in preparation for the final ship construction. Great stress is being laid on the importance of finishing this construction within schedule, because of the prestige it will bring the East German government and the workers of Eastern Germany.

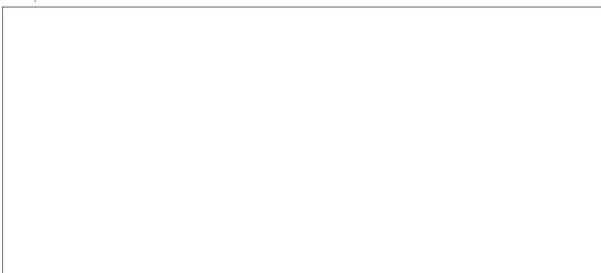
7. S.S. WALDEMAR KOFAMIL

Work on this ship still proceeds rapidly.

8. Uhlmannstrasse Kaserne

This barracks, which was destroyed towards the end of the war, has been almost completely rebuilt, and holds 200 Russian sailors who wear hat ribbons inscribed "Baltic Fleet".

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10. Barnstorf Kaserne

In late 1950 this barracks was occupied by the Volkspolizei, but they left for an unknown destination and the barracks remained empty for some months. The barracks is now again occupied by about 1,000 Volkspolizei (Bereitschaft), and common talk in the town is to the effect that it is an infantry school.

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